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House Resolution 1431

By: Representatives Smith of the 113th, Kidd of the 115th, Heard of the 114th, Martin of the 47th, Burkhalter of the 50th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the University of Georgia Gymnastics Team on winning the 2005 NCAA
- 2 National Championship and inviting its coaches and members to appear before the House of
- 3 Representatives; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, the University of Georgia "Gym Dogs" Gymnastics Team has won its program's
- 5 sixth NCAA National Championship; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the Gym Dogs' extraordinary performance at the 2005 NCAA National
- 7 Championship marked the seventeenth time in the last 19 years that the team has finished in
- 8 the top three at the NCAA Championships; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the Gym Dogs also have won their program's fourteenth SEC Championship,
- 10 the twelfth such win in the last 15 years; and
- WHEREAS, among the Gym Dogs' outstanding athletes was Katie Heenan, a freshman who
- won the SEC All-Around and Balance Beam titles as well as four All-American awards;
- 13 teammates Brittany Smith, Kelsey Ericksen, Ashley Kupets, Nikki Childs, and Michelle
- 14 Emmons were also named All-Americans, and seven Gym Dogs were named to the SEC
- 15 Honor Roll; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the team was led to victory by Head Coach Suzanne Yoculan, who eclipsed her
- 17 700-win mark in her twenty-second year at the University of Georgia; and
- 18 WHEREAS, thanks to their hard work and dedication to excellence, the Gym Dogs have
- 19 brought great honor to their school and state.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 21 the members of this body join in commending the University of Georgia Gymnastics Team

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1 on winning the 2005 NCAA National Championship and congratulate the team's coaches and

- 2 members on their outstanding athletic achievements.
- 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the coaches and members of the University of Georgia
- 4 Gymnastics Team are invited to the House of Representatives for purposes of being
- 5 recognized by the House and receiving appropriate copies of this resolution at a date and time
- 6 to be fixed by the Speaker of the House.